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BORATE, FLUOR SPAR MINES INCREASE ORE OUTPUT

NEW EQUIPMENT FOR LAKE UNDER BORATE PITS -- Kazakhstanskaya Pravda, No 7,
11 Jan 49

Rich deposits of borate have been found at the bottom of Lake Inder. Inder miners exceeded their 1948 production plan. New successes can be expected with the completion of a new power plant increasing power capacity more than 200 percent. Belt conveyors have been installed for loading ore on barges; new dump trucks and other machines are now in use.

FLUOR 3PAR MINES COMPLETE PLAN -- Zabaykal'skiy Rabochniy, No 82, 27 Apr 49

A. Kostyukov, director of the "Soyuzslavrik" Trust, Chita Oblast, reports that the trust completed the 6-month plan for mining fluor spar on 24 April.

Zabaykni'skiy Rabochiy, No 79, 23 Apr 49

The Kalanguy Mine completed the April plan on 18 April, decreased the cost of fluor spar, and saved 884,000 rubles above the first-quarter plan. The mine has pledged to complete the 6-month plan by 1 May.

KAR.-TAU MINERS DOUBLE PHOSPHORITE ORE PRODUCTION -- Kazakhstanskaya Pravda,
No 87, 5 May 49

Miners of the Kara-Tau Combine have exceeded the April plan in all aspects of work. Output of phosphorite ore has increased 100 percent in comparison with last year. Workers of the combine have saved one million rubles since 1 January 1940.

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